

Memo for the record

5/27/66 8 pm (Friday  
of Memorial Day weekend)

Arnoni showed me parts of a letter he had received from Maxwell Geismar, saying that the article after his in the June TMO (ie SM on Hartogs) was great! that he had not known previously about Hartogs' testimony...used very rude expression re Hartogs --something like "that ~~creep~~<sup>rotter</sup> Hartogs" or the like. But wondered why I had not included a review of Jean Stafford's book ("A Mother in History")...also made queer comment that SM did not seem to know "much about the facts", followed by statement that Arnoni should get in touch with Penn "Warren" (sic!) Jr. of Midlothian Mirror, who had all kinds information re peripheral deaths etc. But warned Arnoni Penn Jones is a "conservative." Advised him send for the series of columns from MM. Does not seemx to realize Penn Jones is sometimes highly irresponsible (as on Little Lynn/ Teresa Norton, and failure give sources in general).

Arnoni said praise from Geismar is very unusual, he is not generous as a rule about the work of other writers, so his comment "great review" etc. is great compliment. (How nice.)

Arnoni says SM is "encyclopedia of the WR and 11/22/63" -- also Sauvage -- which is nice.